



Free To Do What is Right Dr. Jim Kaseman

“But God be thanked that though you were slaves to sin, yet you obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine to which you were delivered. And having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness.”

Romans 6:17-18 (NKJV)

Sin Defined

Sin is disobeying God’s Word, acting contrary to God’s Word, rebelling against God, and disregarding God’s Word. Sin is lawlessness. The punishment for sin is spiritual death, eternal separation from God in hell, and ultimately the lake of fire for eternity (Rm 6:16, 23; Rm 8:13; Ps 66:18; Gal 5:21; Matt 7:21-23; Hb 3:12-13; Hb 12:14).

Romans 5:12 says, “Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned.” (Gen 2:16-17; 3:1-13; 1 Tim 2:14; Rom 6:23).

Examples of Sin

In Galatians 5:19-21 we read, “Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication (sex outside of marriage), uncleanness (lewd or unclean thoughts), lewdness (or lasciviousness – excessive consumption of food or wild, undisciplined living that is especially marked by unbridled sex), idolatry (when something other than God takes 1st place in a person’s mind), sorcery (or witchcraft – mind altering drugs, including alcohol), hatred (people who cannot get along with each other), contentions (disputes), jealousies (or variance – depicting a bitterly mean spirit consumed with its own self-interest that would rather split and divide than admit when it is wrong), outbursts of

wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions (strife – a self seeking ambition), heresies (personal opinions or private revelations contrary to the word of God), envy, seditious (one who rebels and steps away from someone to whom he should have been loyal), murders, drunkenness, revelries (a person who cannot bear the thought of boredom and therefore constantly seeks forms of amusement or entertainment), and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.”

You may find more on the subject in II Timothy 3:1-5; II Timothy 4:3-4; James 4:4-5 (NKJV/AMP), etc.

Love and Justice

If sin would not have been punished, it would have spread throughout God’s creation and destroyed it. God’s love for His creation compelled Him to be just and punish sin. God’s plan of justice meant that God Himself through Jesus Christ (II Cor. 5:19 AMP) would become man’s substitute and He Himself would pay the penalty for Man’s sins (John 3:16; II Cor 5:21)! Man’s redemption was provided through Jesus Christ nearly 2,000 years ago. Now man simply must receive it willingly by faith (Johns 3:16, 36; Romans 10:8-10).

We Have Been Set Free!

Romans 6:16 says, “Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are that one’s slaves whom you obey, whether of sin leading to death, or of obedience leading to righteousness?”

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And Romans 6:18 tells us, “And having been set free from sin, you become slaves of righteousness.”

Glory to God! Jesus, through His shed blood, has SET US FREE FROM THE POWER OF SIN! We are no longer slaves to do what is wrong! We are now slaves of righteousness – we are slaves to do what is right!

The Apostle Paul was a slave to do what was right. II Timothy 4:8 AMP says, “[As to what remains] henceforth there is laid up for me the [victor’s] crown of righteousness [for being right with God and doing right]...”

And in I Peter 2:21-22 we are told, “For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps: who committed no sin ...”

The good news is that we do not have to sin – we can be slaves to do what is right, walk in holiness, and please God. And it is because we can do all things through Christ who strengthens us by the power of the Holy Spirit (Phil. 4:19).

What If We Miss It?

We have all made mistakes, but thank God for the cleansing blood of Jesus (I John 1:7, 9)! When we repent, God forgives us of our sins and cleanses us from all unrighteousness. And immediately we stand in God’s presence just like we’ve never done anything wrong! We are given a brand new beginning. Thank God for His mercy and love towards His people with repentant hearts and a determination to do what is right!^{AMC}

Itinerary

MARCH March 4 Tulsa, OK AFCM Minister’s Meeting	March 22-23 Toronto, Ontario AFCM Overnighter	Center April 16-18 Paynesville, MN AFCM Men’s Retreat
March 7 Norman, OK Christian Center Church	March 26 Chariton, IA Full Faith Bible Training Center (AFCMITC)	April 19-20 Marshall, MN Faith Family Christian Center
March 13 Verbank, NY AFCM Minister’s Meeting	March 27 Chariton, IA AFCM Minister’s Meeting	April 24 Titusville, FL AFCMITC Graduation
March 14 Verbank, NY John 3:16 Christian Center	March 28 Chariton, IA Full Faith Christian Center	April 25 Titusville, FL Victorious Living Christian Center
March 16-18 Torrington, CT Living Faith Christian Center	APRIL April 9-10 Silvis, IL AFCM Overnighter	View the latest itinerary online at afcminternational.org
March 21 Ft. Erie, Ontario Victory Christian Center International	April 11 Silvis, IL Faith Walk World Outreach	

AFCM 2010

LADIES! JOIN US SEPTEMBER 17-19 IN PAYNESVILLE, MINNESOTA WITH GUEST SPEAKER ANNETTE THIESEN

OVER THE PAST 13 YEARS, RON AND ANNETTE THIESEN HAVE TRAVELED ALL OVER THE AMAZON BASIN RAISING UP OVER 50 CHURCHES AND TRAINING LEADERS IN 120 VILLAGES. THEY HAVE BEEN OFFICIAL AFCM PERU DIRECTORS SINCE 2006.

THREE YEARS AGO, THE LORD PLACED A VISION IN ANNETTE’S HEART FOR RAISING UP WOMEN IN THE AMAZON TO REACH THEIR DESTINY AND PREPARE A MIGHTY ARMY FOR THE END-TIME HARVEST. THIS DAUGHTERS OF DESTINY WAS BORN AND HAS TOUCHED HUNDREDS OF LADIES SINCE THEN.




Hope Ministries, under the director of AFCM Member, Pastor Mathew Nathaniel, continues to develop the ministry through children’s and youth camps, musical nights, children’s Bible clubs, and many more programs. We ask that you kindly pray for us and our ministry as we reach India with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

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AFCM 2009 year in review

AFCM OVERNIGHTERS/ ALL-DAYERS
THESE MEETINGS ARE SUCH AN IMPORTANT TIME TO CONNECT WITH THE FAMILY OF AFCM – THANK YOU FOR BEING FAITHFUL TO ATTEND!
ONTARIO AFCM OVERNIGHTERS BEGAN IN
PENNSYLVANIA 2009 WITH GOD CALLING US TO
ILLINOIS PRAYER. WE HAD POWERFUL TIMES
OREGON TOGETHER AS WE GOT ON OUR KNEES
ALBERTA
QUEBEC
MISSOURI
VIRGINIA
CALIFORNIA
FLORIDA
ALABAMA

HAWAIIAN CRUISE
WHAT AN AMAZING TIME OF FUN AND FELLOWSHIP AS WE SAILED THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS.

DAUGHTERS OF DESTINY
ANNETTE RICE AND BRENDA THOMAS TRAVELED TO PERU FOR THE FIRST DAUGHTERS OF DESTINY MEETING, ALONG WITH 5 AFCM MEMBERS AND PARTNERS. OVER 400 LADIES WERE IN ATTENDANCE.

FAMILY REUNION
MINNEAPOLIS, MN
SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA – 15TH ANNIVERSARY!
CHINA AND INDIA HELD THEIR 1ST FAMILY REUNIONS
PERU HELD ITS 2ND ANNUAL FAMILY REUNION WITH OVER 400 IN ATTENDANCE. A 500LB OX, 2 LARGE PIGS, AND SEVERAL CHICKENS WERE CARRIED ON THE JOSIAH FOR EATING!

WORKING TOGETHER
CHINESE CHRISTIANS SUPPORTING AFRICAN ORPHANS AND HELPING THE JOSIAH—WHAT AN AMAZING TESTIMONY OF THE AFCM FAMILY WORKING TOGETHER TO REACH THE WORLD!

JON KASEMAN
ON OCTOBER 4, 2009 AT 2:22PM, JONATHAN JAMES KASEMAN WENT BACK TO HEAVEN PEACEFULLY IN HIS SLEEP. WE WERE STANDING AROUND HIS BED TALKING ABOUT HEAVEN. HE OPENED HIS EYES, TOOK ONE LAST BREATH, AND WAS GONE.

20 AFCMITC GRADUATES WERE MARTYRED IN INDIA. AT THE FUNERAL OF ONE OF THE MEN, THERE WAS A VERBAL CALL OF COMMITMENT MADE TO THE PASTORS AND AFCM GRADUATES - "A CALL TO FURTHER AFCMITC INDIA" - THE MESSAGE OF THE WORD OF FAITH, LOVE, AND HOPE THROUGH JESUS," WHICH WAS ECHOED BY A LOUD "AMEN."

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